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WE/6/Reports

Attention: Elemor Hart X . 4601

SUBJECT:

Reported Commitment to Cuban Revolutionaries by British Authorities in Nassau for Use of Small Caribbean Island (Cf. CS-3/klh, 382 dated 9 October)

1. Confirming my telephone conversation with Miss Hart today concerning additional information received on subject, the following arm excerpts from a dispatch from the MHD Representative in Mismi (UNMA-32 dated 2 October) are forwarded for your informations

QDDALE called me a few days after my visit with him on 25 September to inform me that the name of the British official with when the FREYNE group had discussed the matter of getting an uninhabited island as a staging area was Colonel Ferris Hill, of what he called the "secret division" in Massau, Bahamas. QDDALE said that FREYNE had also given him Hill's telephone numbers which area. Office - 2820 and Home 1691; and he invited QDDALE to call Colonel Hill and confirm that the British had made this commitment.

This matter of a British island had been mentioned to me before by Special Agent George Davis of the FBI, so I discussed the matter with him (Davis). He said that he had known that Hill has talked to someone on this subject, but a British officer, whose name he thought, without looking it up, was Cadwalder and who is Hill's superior in Jamaica, came to Mismi to inform the FBI that Hill's conversation with that group had been reported to him and that, not only would the British Government not entertain such a notion, but Hill was off base in even discussing the matter with the group and in not reporting their proposal to U. S. guthorities.

2. QDDAIE is a prominent U. S. businessman in Mismi with good contacts among Cuban exile groups. The original information, disseminated in CS-3/hlh,382, of which your desk was furnished a copy, was also received in Mismi by the WHD Representative, from QDDAIE, and not in Habana, as shown on the dissemination.

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